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EDITOR'S CORNER by W9CTI

This new format is the results of enforced economy. In-as-much as we have always suffered a dearth of news, this smaller sheet may prove not only economical but feasible too. BUT keep sending in news. Ads will be printed only if space is available.

CHATTER CHATTER

In August, Irv Rassmusen W6YPM/9 had checked in the local nets meeting old friends of the air in Wisconsin and Michigan. W9DVD and XYL visited with Irv and XYL at Gills Rock on their last camping fling of the season to Peninsula Park. George and Ruth had just returned from a 7000 mile trip to Bremerton, Wash. where their son lives.

Irv met together with a number of the Milwaukee oldtimers as he came by on Sept. 6th. While we are on the subject, W9CTI visited with Irv at Redwood City as he and Aggie passed thru Calif. Chet urges anyone getting near there to look up Irv and see his antique museum.

W9GF is on an extended visit with his daughter in KL7 land. Listen for his Signal One.

Don Gross W9KQS was visiting in town meeting old friends in July. He reported an impromptu meeting of the old Delco gang thru the local 2-meter repeater one day. Among them in the group were W9JPC, W9HAJ, K9KQD, W9AHN, ex-W9ZDI/W8LDB and WA9JOV who "checked in" from across the lake.

W9GQO has retired to Sun City, Ariz.- His new call is W7JSP.

Ex-W9TAO now W6FYG attended August CQ3TUE. He is on 15 and 10 usually early afternoons and is looking for Milwaukee contacts. He reported former Milwaukeean Jack Spratley WB6UGV as a neighbor.

WB9BGJ and XYL Grace will be touring Japan in October and Sus expects to meet some of his J-land DX contacts.

AREC AND EMERGENCY

AREC will again assist the Sheriff's Dept. on the annual Pumpkin Patrol. Those wishing to assist contact W9ATK, K9KJT or W9NLY for the Oct. 30 event.

Our members assisted in communications on the Bicycle Tour on the North Kettle 100. This is a 102 mile route and will be repeated Oct. 20 and 21st. Operators are needed--contact WA9MME (252-4421)

Bob Goldstein K9KJT who has been EC for 12 years in Milwaukee County is resigning the first of the year and will be succeeded by Dave Knaus WA9POV.

SOCIAL NOTES

Gary Sharbuno (WA9UJK) will be tying the knot to Rich Husting's (WA9TZU) daughter Barbara on Oct. 6th.

Mr. and Mrs. W9CUW's son Frederick died Mary Ann Pitts of Union Grove August 18th. For the occasion, they cut his hair and missed the annual picnic.

IMPORTANT ROSTER NOTICE!!

BY NOW EVERY MEMBER SHOULD HAVE THEIR NEW ROSTER, THANKS TO THE COMMITTEE HEADED BY DAVE WA9POV. SOME MISSPRINTS AND OMISSIONS HAVE BEEN NOTED AND THE NEXT ISSUE OF HAMA' CHATTER WILL TABULATE THEM ALL. PLEASE NOTIFY THE SECRETARY, TREASURER OR EDITOR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. DEADLINE NOV. 24th.

TEEN-AGERS ON FIELD DAY by WN9ISM

After a taste of Field Day operation in our back yard last year, RichWB9CKG and I decided to operate in the field this year. We set up the station in our Crystal Lake cottage which had a few obstacles. The lake was so high, the floors so damp, it was a wonder we weren't electrocuted! Probably a plastic sheet on the floor helped us.

Antennas were put up early in June and test operated, mostly phone-patching back home to heckle our city-bound brothers. We were using a TR 4C and a 350 Charlie but on the actual Field Day run, found that the rigs QRM'd each other so we took turns operating. So far so good until I cooked supper. Rich got sick on it, polluting all over the lake, so that left me to do all the operating for the next ten hours. Forgetting all the bad parts, we totaled over 500 contacts on 40 meters butWAIT TILL NEXT YEAR!!

AREC HELPS YOUNG AMERICANS

A new exciting event was experienced by the local AREC when they helped with communications for the Young Americans on Wheels program at the State Fair Grounds Aug. 25th. AREC was invited to supply communications for the automotive races after it was discovered that the phone system was designed for USAC racing and new lines would have to be installed. AREC jumped into the breach with radio instead of a wire system that would have taken a week to install. The appreciative officials later remarked at the efficiency and coolness the hams operated. On the smaller oval track there were really close calls and "Mayday" situations handled very calmly by the operators. 10 operators were supplied this event sponsored by Sports Club of America.

SILENT KEY--WILLARD V. JAMES, WB9HCN

Bill James was a typical example of a successful person who found an exciting hobby in Ham Radio. He was unlike many old timers who started in their youth but when he did, enjoyed the full thrust of activities and fellowship it offered. Bill especially enjoyed the fellowship of the "Nuttty Nut Net", a select group on 21,360, founded by the late WB9AJL. Bill's voice was well known on WOKY's news and talk programs, several times with ham guests. He had moved to Freeport, Illinois to owner-operate WACI-FM but continued to have ham connections here thru MRAC membership and others. We extend our sympathies to the family.

WEST ALLIS RADIO CLUB had a successful F.D. with 3874 total points and 1737 contacts. They noted 629 CW contacts which paid for the effort put in. They mean to be a No. 1 contender, having been the top W9 in their class the last three years. One of the non-operating successes was the food committee, namely Mr. and Mrs. John Zach, K9IAC. Imagine hot spaghetti, salad and Italian bread for a F.D. fare! WARAC is planning a 20-year celebration this fall.

YELLOW THUNDER ARC has 55 members on their roster and is looking forward to a new year of activity. Many members are very active on Wisconsin NTS nets. W9PKQ is Vice-pres/Publications of ARNS (Amateur Radio News Service) and is one of the judges of the Ham Publication Contest. WB9EWR passes his Advanced Class, congrats.

OZAUKEE RADIO CLUB 1973/74 officers are:

President--Fred Stolte, W9UFW
Vice-Pres--Hert Roehner, WA9UVK
Secretary--Fred Sanders, WA9KVS
Treasurer--ED Bach, WA9BMA

The annual Corn Roast was held Aug. 25th at Ed Bach's Lake Front. A haymowing crew moved in to find the place in the morning and to make a parking "lot". Rich WA9TZU was again chief cook and produced par excellent brats. Thanks to Ed for the use of the location and "procuring" the corn, which by the way was "legal" this year.

ON-THE-AIR-ACTIVITY

W9TMM checks in the Lakeshore 10-meter Net with 5 watts with his Argonaut.

WA9MME finally showed up on .94 with an HT200. His first contact was W9YGS air-mobile over Ft. Atkinson.

K9OSK finally went Solid State on 2-meters. Will wonders never cease!

K9UUT reports on the air with mobile --in a new car yet!

Milwaukee UHF Society repeater is on 448.75 input and 443.75 MHz output with 2A PL access.

DX NEWS

A barbeque at W9JK's Mequon Estate could be considered DX News. It was in honor of W2AGW (320/350) DXCCer and old time friend and competitor of Newts (ex-W2HH). Guest list read like a mini-DXvention with W2AGW, W9BG, W9GIL, W9LNM, W9RKP, W9RNK, W9EWC, K9CAN, WB9EGJ and Host W9JK. Most are on the DXCC Honor roll (see Sept. QST)

SUNSHINE

W9CUJ has given up his home and is now in the Marion Heights Nursing Home 33rd and Highland. He's been on the air with a ML2 and a whip antenna. Give Mac a listen.

It's been reported that W9WVL has been ill since summer and is still confined at home. He gets on the air tho.

Phil Laeser W9ECL has been reported in a Green Bay Hospital due to a heart attack (August).

WN9ISM was at St. Joe's Hospital for dental surgery when they found enlarged veins to his legs on a routine exam. It will require surgery, Jim says.

QCWA**WISCONSIN CHAPTER

The summer slump did not seem to affect the Sunday morning QCWA Net. W9WVL had been reported in the hospital in June and is convalescing at home and on the air. The Annual Meeting was held at the Millhome Supper Club at Kiel with 60 present; 33 of them members. W9NJH reported on his scrap book project and hopes to have pictures of all members with XYL and a biography, so be prepared to help Ray out. A \$20 donation was made to MRAC to help in publishing the Hama' Chatter which has printed Chapter news. We were happy to see W9NRP and Bertha who are now 60/40 Arkansans. They will be completely moved when they sell their house in Ft. Atkinson. Sid can be considered the founder of the Wisconsin Chapter.

The new officers are:

Chairman---Ray Bade, W9NJH
Vice-Chair-Butch Greve, W9EWC
Treasurer--Travis Baird W9VQD
Secretary--Chet Sakura W9CTI

Board members are: W9ESJ, W9EDS & W9DVD

The Chapter Net meets every Sunday at 9AM on 3985 KC. NCS schedule is:

Oct 14 W9YFW	Nov 4 W9NJH	Dec 2 W9NJH
Oct 21 W9EJD	Nov 11 W9DXV	Dec 9 W9CUJ
Oct 28 W9DVD	Nov 18 W9CTI	Dec 16 W9EJD
	Nov 25 W9VQD	Dec 23 W9ESJ

On Oct. 4th, W9DXV and XYL Eunice miraculously escaped serious injury or possibly death when a truck collided with their rear and overturned them four times. The collision ripped off the gas tank which exploded down the road. Lyall landed in the hospital and Eunice suffered bruises. The gang extends their best wishes for a hurried recovery.

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